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Upcoming

Armstrong Scholarship Workshop

Armstrong students will have a chance to explore and understand their financial options at the Scholarship Application Workshop Jan. 31 at 5 p.m. in University Hall 158. The event is free to students and will cover the basics about all of the financial aid options available to students, in addition to providing scholarship application help. Dinner will be provided.

Second annual Armstrong national 2-D art competition

The Art, Music and Theater department presents the second annual Two-Dimensional competition art exhibition. The show is aimed to increase recognition for Armstrong's growing and talented art department. The show will be on display until Feb. 1 in the Fine Arts gallery; open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Students are invited to attend a reception on Jan. 25, also in the Fine Arts gallery, at 5:30 p.m.

Alternative Spring break offered to students

An "Alternative Spring Break" to Biloxi, Miss. is being offered to all Armstrong students for their 2013 spring break. The trip will focus on homelessness and hunger problems in the Biloxi area and also includes a day trip to New Orleans and the beach. Contact Chris Nowicki in the Student Activities office in MCC 215 or email him at Chris.Nowicki@armstrong.edu for more information.

Armstrong streamlines logins

Screenshot taken from Armstrong's new login system.

BY JEREMIAH JOHNSON
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The days of remembering multiple usernames and passwords to access SHIP, Pirates Cove email, online classes and other online campus services are a thing of the past, as Armstrong unveiled its new Port of Armstrong website this week.

The new service allows Armstrong's students, faculty and staff to utilize just one username and password to access multiple services in one convenient location.

According to Armstrong's website: "Port recognizes who you are based on your role at Armstrong and displays content accordingly. After logging in, different pages of content will be displayed for employees, faculty and students. The portal will provide customized content for specific audiences."

Most major browsers support Port in their most recent versions, including Chrome, Firefox, Safari and Internet Explorer.

"It's a more efficient system to access all the info we need

as students," said Student Government Association President Kwame Phillips. "It's a one-stop-shop, which I think students are going to like."

To access the new service, users simply need to use their existing Cove ID and password.

Director of technical support Sandy Hart says those who have their Armstrong email linked to a smart device should experience a seamless transition and need not worry about resyncing their phone

or tablet.

"[B]eing able to help the students have a better way to access their resources will be a great benefit," she said.

In addition to the Port of Armstrong website, IT services is also working to increase Internet accessibility on campus. Later this spring, Armstrong will upgrade its Internet speed to run approximately three-and-a-half times faster than its current capacity and increase the campus' wireless coverage to operate across a majority of the entire campus.

Crime Blotter

Compiled from police reports

University police officer Ray Shatzer observed a vehicle that appeared to have been unlawfully entered in Residential Lot I around 2:10 a.m. Dec. 2.

When the officer approached the car, he noticed the driver's front window was broken and glass scattered across the driver's and passenger's seats. The vehicle's doors were still locked.

Shatzer asked dispatch to contact the vehicle's owner. When the owner arrived, he immediately noticed his iPod, which he left in the cup holder of the center console, was missing.

However, the suspect left money laying right beside where the iPod was said to have been.

Shatzer remembered a newer style Dodge Charger that was repeatedly driving around the parking lot and tried to locate the vehicle again.

The iPod's serial number was not registered with the police department.

"A vehicle is not a secure space," said Deputy Chief Wynn Sullivan. "It takes two seconds to break a window."

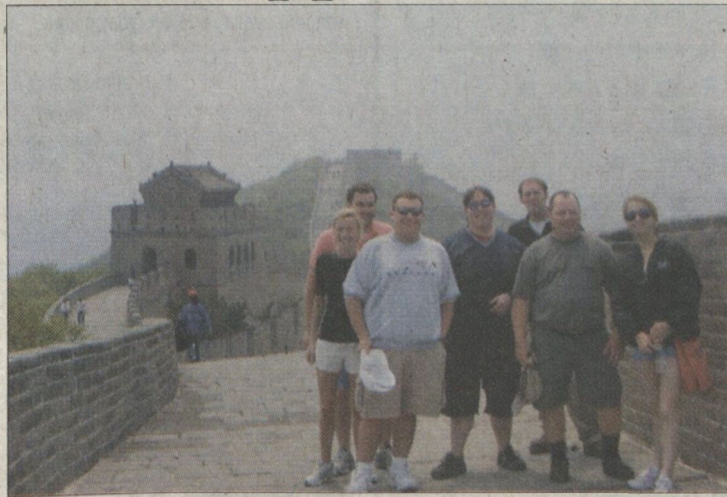
"We encourage students to slip [their valuables] into their pocket and take it with you."

A student reported his silver 2012 Macbook Pro stolen at UPD headquarters Dec. 4. The student and his roommate had some friends at their Windward Commons dorm Dec. 3 until 11 p.m. when they attended the Midnight Breakfast.

When the student and his roommate returned a little after

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Fair to highlight travel opportunities



File Photo

BY BRIANA ROSS
Staff Writer

Armstrong's Office of International Education will host the Study Abroad Fair Jan. 23 in the Student Union Ballroom. Beginning at 10:30 a.m., students can find information about travel opportunities to exotic locales such as Costa Rica, Italy and China while earning college credits.

"The program's goal is to broaden minds and create cultural awareness," said Carole Wapa Weber, graduate assistant for the Office of International Education. "With these goals in mind, personal interaction with professors and other students allow a firsthand account on what may lie ahead."

"Trips are student accommodated and range from two to six weeks. They

will stay in hostels, home stays or the university campus to submerge them in the local culture."

Sara Longaberger, a student, who has had two study abroad experiences, connected with professors and formed relationships that proved to be helpful for the future.

"The experiences and struggles I faced being in a culture different from my own gave me a new broader understanding of my own culture," Longaberger said. "I gained new national and international friendships that I maintain today."

She encourages students to participate in the program and strongly believes it will change lives.

Like many students, she arrived knowing her major

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UPD welcomes Tashi to the force



Photo by Alex Pirtle

Tashi presented herself Dec. 24 after going missing in November and was welcomed with open arms and a plate of deli chicken.

BY REILLY MESCO
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The Armstrong Police Department began the spring semester on a happy note with the return of their unofficial mascot, Tashi. The gray and

white cat who was inadvertently adopted by the officers in the police department went missing on Thanksgiving day and returned around Dec. 22.

Tashi escaped the police station when someone who was carrying heavy equipment out

the door propped the door open and left it open.

When Tashi went missing, the officers came in on Thanksgiving to search for the cat, as well as the weekend afterward. They walked through the woods for an hour calling her name and also set up a wildlife camera. Deputy Police Chief Wynn Sullivan offered a reward for the return of the tabby cat. She commented on Tashi's excitement on being home.

"She had lost a little bit of weight, but we took her to the vet, and she was just fine," Wynn said. "When she first got back, she was so excited to see everybody. She'd run up and rub against everyone's legs and meow, meow, meow. She was so happy to be back. She'd watch the door and when anybody walked in, she'd go up to greet them."

Police officers used a wildlife trap near Ashmore Hall to catch her. An officer also bought a humane trap with his own money to catch the cat, putting Oscar Meyer's Deli Chicken, Tashi's favorite food, as bait in the trap.

"Once students moved off campus and the campus got quieter, that's when she started to be seen again. We got reports of her being seen around campus," Sullivan said, adding that the doors in the police station are watched more closely now.

"It took the entire police department, to get her back,

so we didn't want her to leave again."

Tashi was previously up for adoption, but there was never any serious attention.

"A few people showed interest, but no one followed through [on adopting her]," Sullivan said. "She's no longer available for adoption."

Before Tashi came to the police department, she stayed at Ashmore Hall, which isn't a normal feeding area. The Friends of Cats group tried to acclimate Tashi into the nearest feeding group, but Tashi was considered an outcast to the other cats. They wouldn't accept her, even going as far as to attack her. That's the reason she was taken to the police station to be adopted.

Police Chief Wayne Willcox commented on the cat's disappearance, joking that because Tashi is in her teenage years, she did not like being told what to do and rebelled against her "parents."

The police department has now officially adopted the cat, who seems to be happy to be back.

"She'll sit and watch the back door because she knows that most people come in through the back, and she's there to greet them," Sullivan added. "When she first got back, it was like she was at party, [although] she's chilled out a bit now though because she's been back for several weeks."

Tashi was taken to the vet

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Pirates produce mixed results at Alumni Arena

BY CHARLETTE HALL
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Armstrong's men's and women's basketball teams hit the court Jan. 10 for the Pirates' first home game of the semester. Armstrong hosted the Lander Bearcats for their fifth conference matchup. The Ladies suffered an unfortunate 67-55 loss, while the men's squad came out on top 91-80.

The Lady Pirates came into the game with a 6-5 overall record and 1-3 in conference play. The men started the game ranked 7-4 overall and 3-1 in conference.

The women's team kicked off at 5:30 p.m. The Bearcats ended a two-game losing streak with the Pirate loss.

Coach Matt Schmidt warned his squad about Lander's top player, Aarika Judge, who notched a game-high 23 points with nine rebounds, three assists and three steals.

"Coming into the game, we knew that they had the same conference record as us," Schmidt said. "Our main game plan was to contain Judge. We did at times, but she was still able to get her points. We really wanted to be able to get inside play."

The Bearcats too advantage of the Lady Pirates' 20 turnovers.

Schmidt said that the Bearcats were able to capitalize off his team's missed jumpers and made key rebounds that led to them scoring on fastbreak points.

"Our main focus is to keep our heads up, to play hard and to make shots. We have to be more aggressive on offense and do better on defense too."

Tori Klewicki-McNutt was the top scorer of the night with 17 points — twelve from behind the three-point line.

"We have to continue to work on our rebounding, especially

our offensive rebounding," Klewicki-McNutt said after the loss.

Although the Lady Pirates did not come out on top, Klewicki-McNutt said there were positives the team could take away from the game.

"We played really hard even though we didn't get the outcome we wanted," she said. "This was a step for us as a team, and we were able to come back in the second half and play better. We didn't give up."

The men followed the Ladies, taking the court at 7:30 p.m. Lander got out to an early lead, scoring the first few points and maintained the lead most of the first-half.

Kenny Bellinger II drained a three-point basket as time expired at halftime, allowing the Pirates to close within one point of the Bearcats and end the first period trailing Lander 44-43.

The Pirates carried this momentum into the second half. Aric Miller went three-for-three from beyond the arc and made two free throws to put the Pirates up 54-44. Lander stopped the 11-point run with a two-point shot by Darius Carrier.

Bellinger answered with a three-pointer to put the Pirates back up by 11. The Pirates continued to dominate Lander the rest of the game.

Miller was the top scorer for the Pirates with 34 points. Bellinger had 14 points on the night. Senior Antroine Williford had 20 points and 11 rebounds, earning him his first double-double this season. The team's victory marked their fourth straight win and put them 4-1 in conference play.

Coach Jeremy Luther credits the team's success to their teamwork.

"Our motto this year is to just do your job," he said. "Everyone has an assignment,

and tonight they did a great job. One guy's job is to defend. Another guy's job is to shoot, while someone else's job may be to be the emotional guy for the team."

Miller echoed Luther's statement.

"Tonight's game was about getting stops especially early on," he said. "No. 23 was like 8-12 from the three-point line and kept them ahead during the first half. Our defense got great stops, and we were able to slow him down. We played great team ball."

"We were able to keep our momentum after we got up because we shared the ball. My teammates kept coming to me to shoot because they knew I was hot."

The Pirates know exactly what it takes to put together a win.

"Our team plays really well together because we like playing together," Luther said. "We pick each other up, and we know our responsibilities. We know each person has to do their job."



Tori Klewicki-McNutt shoots for a point at the women's basketball game Jan. 10.

Photos by Alex Pirtle



Aric Miller shooting for a three-point shot during Jan. 10's men's basketball game at 7:30 p.m.

Photos by Like Kawasha

Falcons need focus against 49ers

BY DALTON JOHNSON
Sports Columnist

With only 31 seconds left on the clock, Falcons' fans had to be shaking their heads, thinking "Not again."

After dominating in the first half to have a 20-0 lead on the Seattle Seahawks, the Falcons saw themselves down 28-27 Jan. 13, with only the final seconds left in the game.

Matt Ryan was on the verge of losing his third straight playoff, but Matty Ice decided not to melt during crunch-time this year.

After a beautiful corner pass to Harry Douglas and hitting Tony Gonzalez over the middle, Ryan had the Falcons within striking distance to win the game with a field goal.

Falcons' coach Mike Smith decided not to take any chances and had kicker Matt Bryant lineup with only 13 seconds on the clock. The veteran kicker nailed the 49-yard field goal, and the Falcons won their first playoff game during the Ryan era 30-28.

Even after earning the No. 1 seed in the NFC throughout the playoffs with a 13-3 regular season record, the Falcons were not favored to win by many experts.

In recent history, the Falcons have shown to excel in the regular season but have fallen flat in the playoffs — not to mention, the Seattle Seahawks with "The Little Quarterback Who Could" Russell Wilson were the hottest team in football.

Though, the Falcons almost let the Seahawks pull off a historical comeback, they proved they are worthy of the No. 1 seed by coming through in the clutch.

Now the Falcons will host the San Francisco 49ers for only their third NFC Championship game in franchise history. After giving up 28 second-half points to the Seattle Seahawks, the Falcons will have to step their game up against a very dangerous 49ers team.

Atlanta struggled with the mobility of Russell Wilson and now they have their hands full with 49ers' quarterback Colin

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Campus Voices

"Will gun control laws cut down on violent crimes? How?"



"Personally, I don't think it will. The criminals that will commit crimes will find ways to get guns illegally anyway."

Daniel Allen,
psychology,
junior



"I don't think it will, because if somebody wants a gun, they will find a way to get a gun."

AJ Lawrence,
engineering,
freshman



"In England, once they made guns illegal, the death by gun rate increased 400 percent, so taking guns away from good citizens won't matter. People will always find a way to get guns."

Melissa Millwood,
political science,
junior



"I think it will cut down on violent crimes, by reducing the amount of weapons available to everyday people."

Alyx Leviton,
English,
freshman



"I think yes and no, because gun control will limit the availability of weapons, but it still doesn't mean people won't be able to get weapons. It's all about where you get it."

Xavier Parker,
music education,
freshman



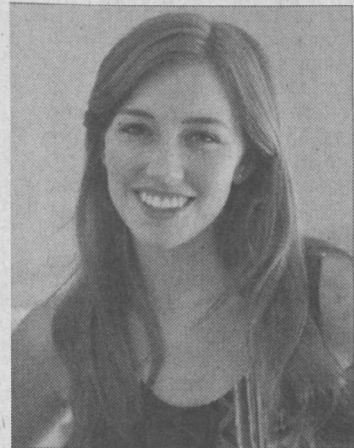
"Well, as someone who owns guns herself, I think no. Banning drugs hasn't done anything against people having drugs, so I don't think cutting down on guns will make a difference. I actually think gun control is a horrible idea."

Leslie Stieber,
liberal studies,
junior

Opinions and Editorials

Gun control policy could mark beginnings of slippery slope

BY HANNAH SHATTUCK
Staff Columnist



"The very atmosphere of firearms anywhere and everywhere restrains evil interference. They deserve a place of honor with all that is good." – George Washington.

This is a bold statement in the wake of violent shootings across the country, as leaders, lawmakers and media alike are calling for the further restriction or banning of firearms. Unfortunately, this knee-jerk reaction to the horrifying mass murders will not aid in stopping them.

Shootings tend to occur in offices, malls, theaters, schools and places of worship — all which have policies against firearms, concealed or otherwise.

Some of the most heartbreaking of these shootings are those at schools or universities, like Columbine, Virginia Tech and most recently, Sandy Hook Elementary, where well-known bans against carrying firearms are in place. It is painful to consider that had someone been permitted to carry on one of the campuses, a single shot could have spared so many lives.

In most cases, the average police response time is anywhere from four to 12 minutes, and regardless of how hardworking and diligent the police force is, they cannot physically defend the entire population from every threat.

A man's personal security should be his own concern, as no one is as concerned with his own safety as he is. Each citizen should be allowed to protect himself and those around him to

the full extent of the law.

Countries like Switzerland and Israel have telling track records in regard to school shootings. Switzerland is known for its unique gun laws, requiring ownership among its huge militia and familiarizing its citizenry with firearms. Teachers are permitted to carry in schools as well as professors and students on college campuses. And, there has never been a school shooting in Switzerland.

In 1974, three Palestinians attacked an Israeli high school and murdered 16 students. Afterwards, Israel allowed teachers to carry, and since, there has been only one incident — a terrorist attack in 2002, which was ended by an armed teacher.

Then there is the inevitable, "Handguns are acceptable but no private citizen needs an assault rifle."

Of course they don't, but that is not a reason to outlaw them. When going through the line at the grocery store, do we need any of the tabloids on the shelves? Do they contribute value or substance to society? They don't, but under the Constitution, the publishers are free to publish whatever they choose, and nothing should be made illegal simply because it is unnecessary.

The simple fact is if the country continues to move towards restricting the amount of legal gun owners, it increases the ratio of illegal ones.

Criminals, by definition, do not obey the law. Only law-abiding citizens will pay heed to regulation, leaving innocent civilians at the mercy of anyone who wishes to harm them and criminals with a sea of people to be preyed upon without fear of retaliation.

A violent criminal has no regard for human life. His intent is to kill, and a gun-free zone will do nothing but inform him that his intended victims cannot defend themselves.

Outlawing firearms does not stop evil men — it enables them.

The rushed attempt of the federal government to implement gun bans in the wake of Sandy Hook's tragic massacre displays

its opportunistic nature. In the choice words of former chief-of-staff and current Chicago mayor Rahm Emanuel, the government should, "Never waste a good crisis."

The current presidential administration has openly pressed for gun control and vice president Joe Biden had the brazen audacity to brag that the president is soon to declare an executive order regardless of objections.

We should be shocked the president is using the murder of children to force a regulation he wants implemented. Even if he truly believes it will help to slow the growing violence, such a significant and blatant disregard of the Constitution is not the correct way to go about enacting it.

It is unbelievable any administration would boldly announce intentions to ignore the law and the people to do what they wish. Doing so marks the beginnings of tyranny.

There has long been a point where citizens become subjects, and Americans are drawing nearer to it with each inch of freedom we give up. There are unintended consequences when rights are given up in a haze of emotion. It seems this particular push is not really about gun control. It's about public control.

We are a free people, and our rights hinge on the assumption we are politically vocal and influential and able to physically protect such rights if necessary. If citizens do not have the physical ability to retaliate, they are not feared. They are not respected. They are no longer their own masters. They have no power. They are defenseless subjects who can be preyed upon and oppressed by anyone who has the upper hand, be it through political power or fire power.

The Second Amendment has a purpose, and if we give it up, another will follow. It is far less about the arms themselves than it is about the power that owning them represents. The ability to fight back is power, over life, over liberty and over personal security.

Hall of Fame inducts nobody: Really?

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Fans can't be surprised home run king Barry Bonds, ace pitcher Roger Clemens and slugger Sammy Sosa were not elected to the National Baseball Hall of Fame this year.

But nobody?

Bonds, a seven-time MVP who holds the single-season and career home run records, collected votes from 36.2 percent of the baseball writers casting ballots. Clemens, the only seven-time Cy Young winner, got 37.6 percent. Sosa, famous for a 1998 home run duel and a 2003 corked bat, got 12.5. They needed 75 percent.

All three have been linked to performance-enhancing drugs. We get that. They don't deserve the honor.

But the baseball writers also declined to admit Astros' slugger Craig Biggio (68.2 percent); his teammate, first baseman Jeff Bagwell (59.6 percent); Mets catcher Mike Piazza (57.8 percent); or any of 31 other eligible players.

For only the eighth time, no player was elected. Bummer.

Our gripe isn't with the writers who collectively set the bar for entry into baseball's shrine. Stars who cheated should be excluded. It's galling enough to have to see their performance records on the books.

But we're just disappointed when a momentous honor is in play and the winner is ... nobody.

It happens. Just last year, the Pulitzer Prize board declined to name a winner in the

fiction category, to the dismay of readers who loved Karen Russell's "Swamplandia." (No award for editorial writing, either. Hey!)

The Grammys' Best New Artist award, the kiss of death to countless rising stars, was not given in 1967.

It used to be fairly common for the Nobel Peace Prize to go unclaimed: It happened 18 times between 1901 and 1972, including five years in a row from 1939 to 1943. A winner has been named every year since 1973.

Time magazine has been known to punt on its Person of the Year honor, bestowing it on American Women in 1975, The Computer in 1982 and You in 2006. But at least Time never devoted its end-of-the-year cover to Nobody.

Don't lose focus on what's truly important

BY HENRY ANCHETA
Staff Columnist

Where were you this past Christmas vacation? Did you go to your world of vintage love or did you go to a world unknown? Was your coming home the same as you remember it or did you find your world gone?

It is easy to imagine life at college thinking the life we leave waiting for us will still be there for our triumphant return — like a faithful old dog who, though abandoned, waits patiently for the return of his master — so we think life will be waiting for us once we finish our years at school.

The reality is life slips away from us the minute we turn our gaze from it.

This past Christmas vacation, I found myself with plenty of time to enjoy with my family. After all, I had spent a great deal of time last semester keeping up with the demands of college.

To my surprise I found that my family members were gone. They were gone in heart. They were gone in mind, and they were there no more. Though I looked for them, they had grown tired of waiting for my return and opted for a journey on their own.

What originally seemed a

set goal for the good of all my loved ones became a burden of patience and frustration for them. The good grades I obtained last semester came at price of hard work and endurance and also of dissension and loss. I celebrated, therefore, the Christmas of a changed world, my world.

I bring such insight to light because though I am not giving details of what happened in my time off from school, the fact is, if we focus too much on our academic world, we risk forgetting the people who remain behind us.

Such individuals can be your parents, siblings, friends, love ones and even your pets. If man is not careful in how to take care of what is more important in life, he can soon wake to a reality unpleasant as was mine this past Christmas season.

Staying connected with the true world implies keeping in touch with our love ones, and by connection with them I mean the way the good Lord intended it, via face to face if possible.

Yes, technology helps keep people in touch with one another, but there is nothing technological that can compare to a hug, a handshake, a kiss or even an embracement of love with those who we leave behind semester after semester.

The fidelity one owes his loved ones outside college life is just as important as the attention given to the loved ones left behind at school during holidays and breaks. Such people can be our professors, classmates and colleagues.

As I walked into my first day of class this semester, I saw familiar faces, old friends' faces, and they brought joy to my soul, if at least for a moment. They brought joy to me because in a sense they are part of my world outside my home world.

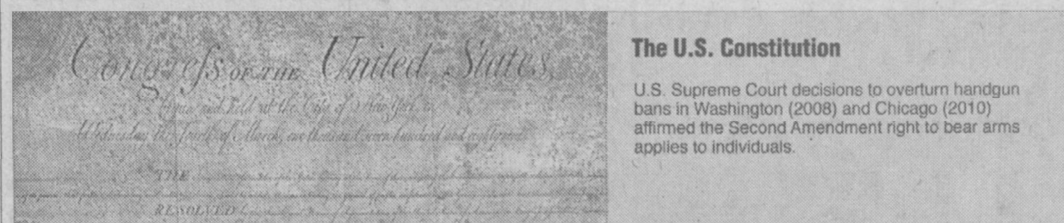
They brought joy to me because they are my company in this vast planet we call home. The friends we acquire at school are and should be important staples in our lives now and forever.

And so, Armstrong, welcome to a new year, to a new semester and to a new beginning. Yes, we are back again to pursue excellence, triumph, glory, achievement and dreams. These pursuits are worth the calling of why we enrolled in college to begin with.

However, never should a student, a professor or a staff member venture in posts of these interests at the price of forsaking that which is most valuable in life, your own worlds and your own loved ones.

Gun control: What's the law?

Gun control in the U.S. is largely governed by a few key federal laws and a variety of state restrictions. The federal government taxes the making and selling of guns, requires background checks and regulates who can own a gun. Also, states have imposed further restrictions.

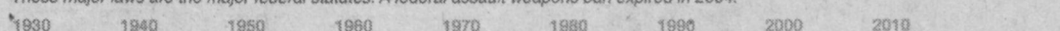


The U.S. Constitution

U.S. Supreme Court decisions to overturn handgun bans in Washington (2008) and Chicago (2010) affirmed the Second Amendment right to bear arms applies to individuals.

Federal laws

These major laws are the major federal statutes. A federal assault weapons ban expired in 2004.



1934 National Firearms Act

What it does Imposes a tax on manufacture and distribution of firearms; requires that manufacturers and sellers register weapons with the Justice Department Attorney General; people who possess an unregistered firearm can be fined up to \$250,000 or sentenced up to 10 years in prison.

Background When first passed, the law was meant to restrict access to firearms perceived as chosen weapons of "gangsters," such as machine guns, short-barreled shotguns and rifles, and firearm mufflers and silencers; the law was amended in 1968 to include "destructive devices," such as Molotov cocktails and

1968 Gun Control Act

What it does Requires all commercial manufacturers, importers or sellers of firearms to be federally licensed; prohibits sale by mail across state lines of all firearms; also specifies categories of persons who are barred from possessing firearms, including felons, fugitives, drug addicts, illegal immigrants and people who have been dishonorably discharged from the armed forces.

Background Law details major federal restrictions in commerce in small arms and ammunition.

1993 Brady Handgun Violence Prevention Act

What it does Requires background checks for all unlicensed individuals trying to buy a gun from a federally licensed seller; private transactions subject to the recordkeeping or background check requirements; the law created the National Instant Criminal Background Check System, designed to determine one's eligibility to buy a gun; in 1997, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that the federal government cannot force states to participate in the FBI-administered background check system, this means some people who should not be allowed to buy a gun pass through gaps in the database.

Background The act, in the name of James Brady, shot in an attempted assassination of President Ronald Reagan, amended the Gun Control Act.

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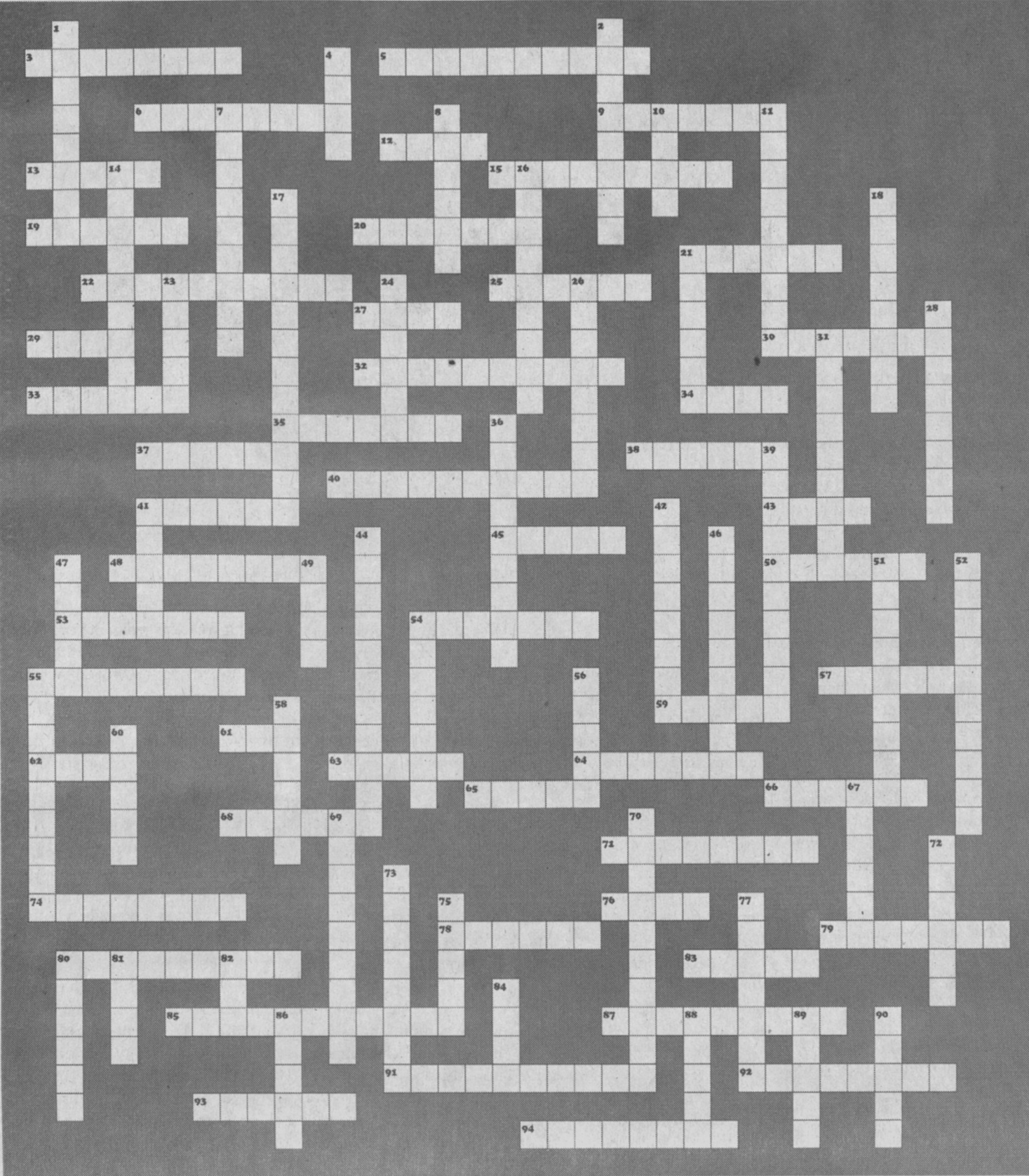
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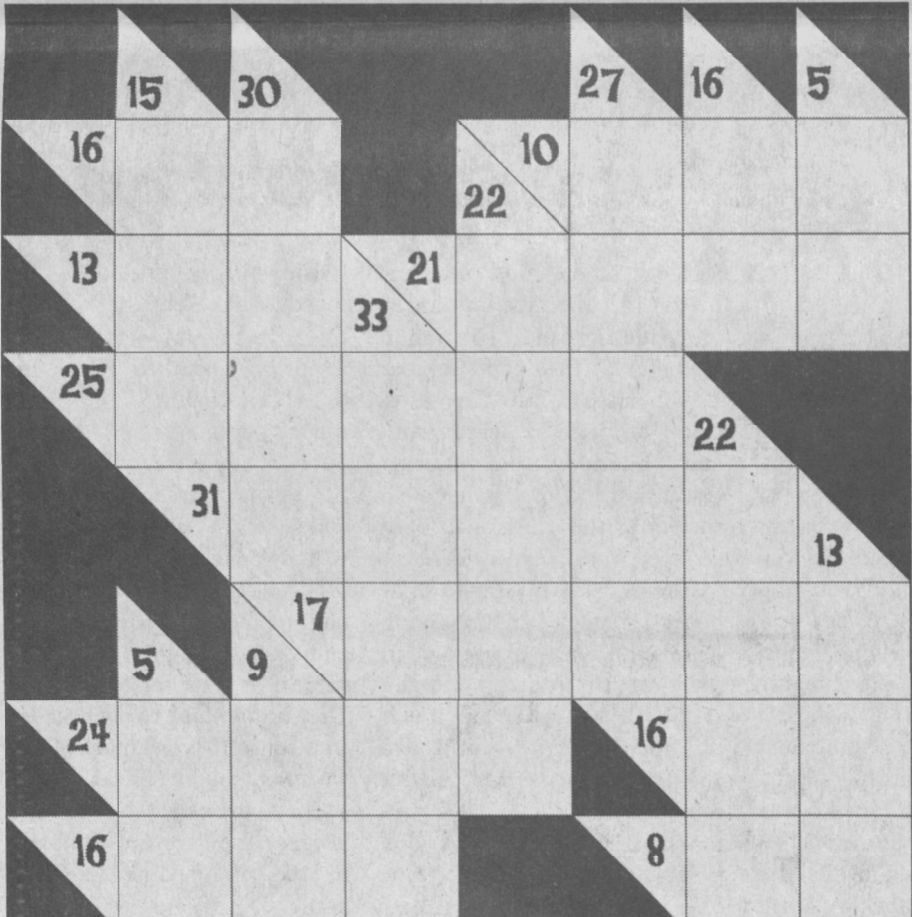
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What's the Word of the Day?



- DOWN**
- 1. Excess
 - 2. To color or become purple or purplish
 - 4. To find fault or complain querulously or unreasonably
 - 7. Able to contain much
 - 8. To act in an obsequious manner; show servile deference
 - 10. A bubble
 - 11. Happiness; well-being
 - 14. Lack of knowledge or awareness
 - 16. To wink
 - 17. High-spirited; vivacious; lively
 - 18. Light, playful talk
 - 21. A meal
 - 23. Loyal; faithful
 - 24. To slake, satisfy or allay as in thirst, desires or passion
 - 26. A whispering or rustling sound
 - 28. In a series; one after another
 - 31. The transposition of usually initial sounds in a pair of words
 - 36. The act or procedure of folding
 - 39. The state of being bright and radiant
 - 41. Having wings; winged
 - 42. To glorify and honor
 - 44. The performing of miracles or magic
 - 46. Supreme blessedness; exalted happiness
 - 47. Unselfish love of one person for another without sexual implications
 - 49. A knife, especially a switchblade
 - 51. To scold or rebuke sharply
 - 52. Reckless extravagance
 - 54. Enthusiasm or dedication
 - 55. To disapprove of; also, to belittle
 - 56. A small or inconsequential person or thing
 - 58. To make or give a speech, especially extensively; spiel
 - 59. To go rapidly; fly; scurry
 - 67. To complain; whine
 - 69. Causing sweat
 - 70. To speak in a pompous or dogmatic manner
 - 72. A seat or platform for one or more persons placed on the back of an elephant
 - 73. Dwelling in or under the earth; also pertaining to the underworld
 - 75. Off the right line; awry; wrong
 - 77. A heap; pile
 - 80. In grammar and rhetoric, the separation of the parts of a compound word
 - 81. To snack or eat between meals
 - 82. A scrap or morsel of food left at a meal
 - 84. To talk hypocritically
 - 86. Situated in or on the line about which a rotating body turns
 - 88. One of a group of benevolent spirits promoting good in the world
 - 89. A slender, graceful woman or girl
 - 90. Sedate; modest; quiet

- ACROSS**
- 3. To perform a sliding or gliding step
 - 5. A word, verse, phrase or sentence that reads the same backward or forward
 - 6. Ambiguous; obscure
 - 9. Offense; resentment
 - 12. To fix firmly; secure
 - 13. Pleasing to the eye
 - 15. Beginning to exist or appear
 - 19. Something that is extraordinarily pleasing or successful, especially a very funny joke
 - 20. A usually temporary encampment; also, to encamp
 - 21. An obstacle, hindrance or obstruction
 - 22. A person who steals books
 - 25. A midday or afternoon rest or nap
 - 27. A piece of something to be chewed but not swallowed
 - 29. Something to be thankful for; blessing; benefit
 - 30. To soften; to ease or lessen
 - 32. Characterized by injustice or wickedness; wicked; sinful
 - 33. A young man
 - 34. High-toned; stylish
 - 35. A present; gratuity; tip
 - 37. A small contrasting blotch; also, to mark with spots
 - 38. Courage and fortitude
 - 40. Combative; quarrelsome
 - 41. Cleverly skillful, resourceful or ingenious
 - 43. To apply cosmetics
 - 45. Cold; chilly
 - 48. Melodious; musical
 - 50. Supple; nimble
 - 53. To sprinkle; bespatter
 - 54. Lightless; dark
 - 55. Devilishly; damnably
 - 57. Appearing or occurring in spring
 - 59. To draw forth or bring out, as something potential or latent
 - 61. To peep or chirp
 - 62. A large number or quantity; mass
 - 63. Faithfulness, fidelity or loyalty
 - 64. A nickname
 - 65. To infatuate; obsess
 - 66. To stare angrily or with a scowl
 - 68. Flimsy; frail
 - 71. Having a musky smell
 - 74. Smallness; thinness; the quality of being meager
 - 76. Force; energy; vigor
 - 78. A trinket; a bauble
 - 79. To happen to; come to; befall
 - 80. Dark; gloomy
 - 83. To slacken or relax
 - 85. Brave only as a result of being drunk
 - 87. Nevertheless
 - 91. To surrender under agreed conditions
 - 92. Strange; uncommon
 - 93. To put out of joint; dislocate
 - 94. Hissing



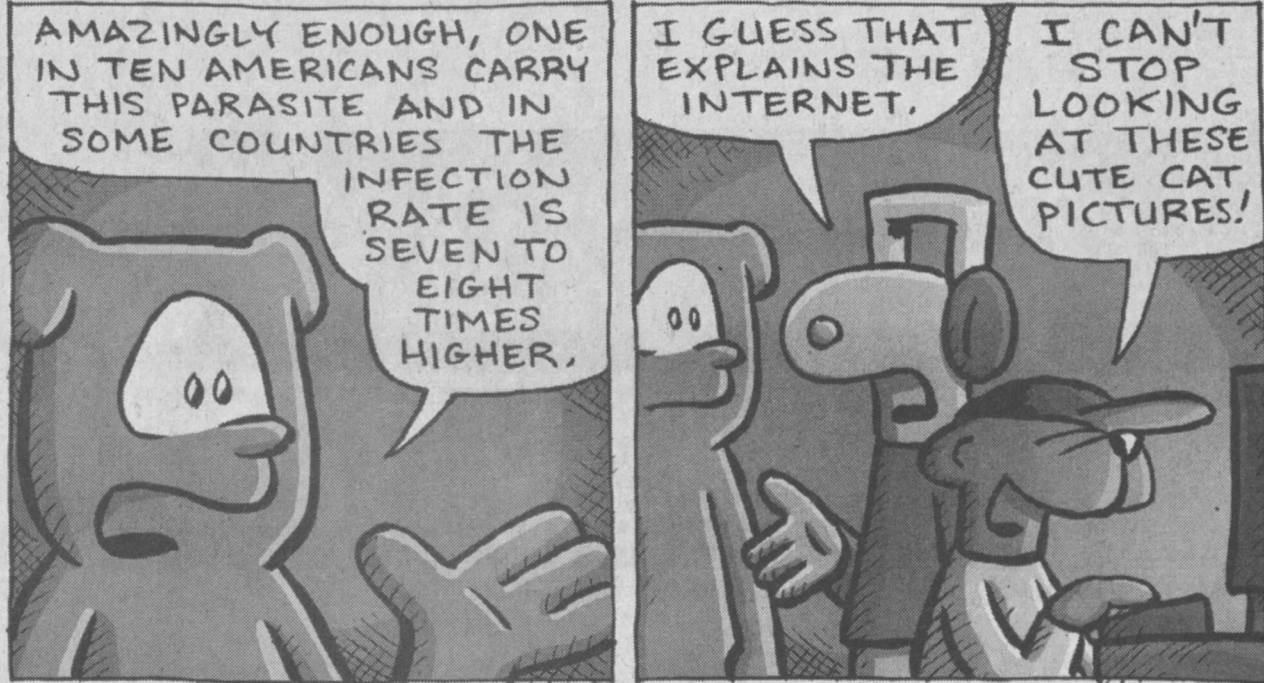
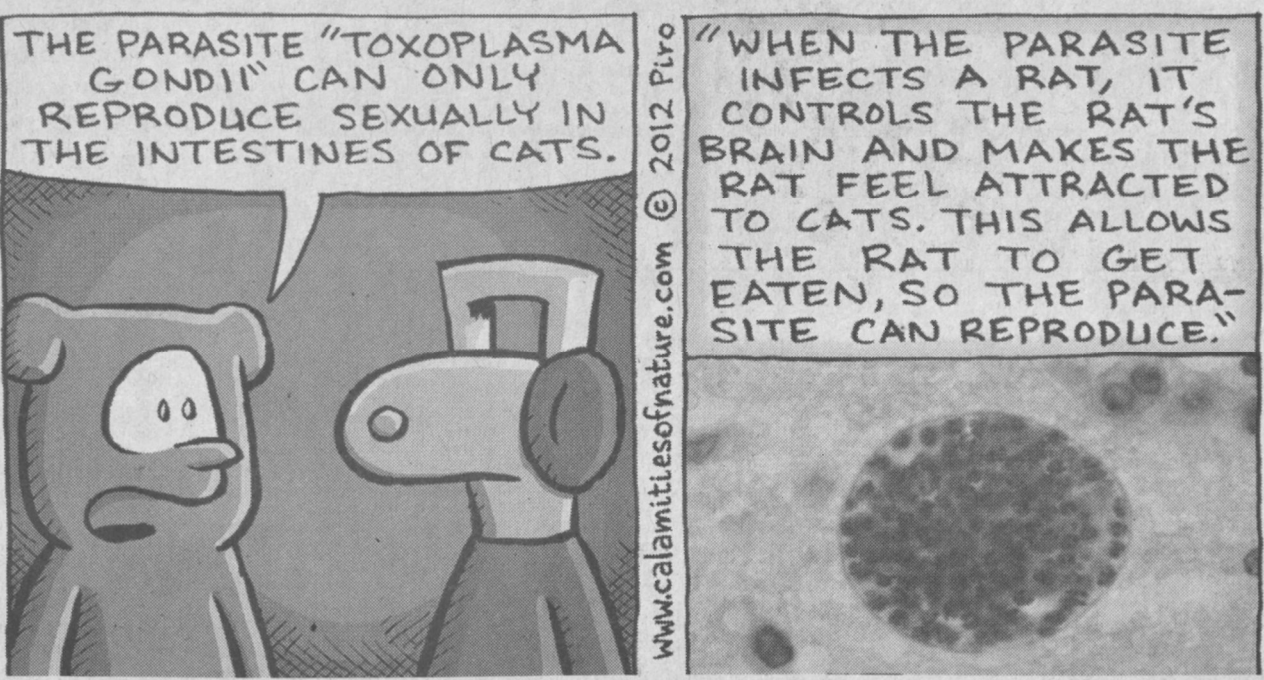
Kakuro is a logic puzzle often referred to as a mathematical transliteration of a crossword. The object of the puzzle is to insert a number from one to nine into each white cell. The sum of the numbers in each column or row will be equal to the number in the clue box associated with it. Clues for rows are at the top of clue boxes while clues for columns reside at the bottom. No digit can be duplicated in any entry.

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Imps! by Jeff Harris



Calamities of Nature by Tony Piro



'Zero Dark Thirty' goes distance



Nominated for Best motion picture of the year, "Zero Dark Thirty."

Sony Pictures/MCT

Silver screen

4 out of 5 stars



Directed by Kathryn Bigelow

Produced by Kathryn Bigelow, Mark Boal, Megan Ellison and Columbia Pictures

Starring Joel Edgerton, Jessica Chastain, Edgar Ramirez, Kyle Chandler, Mark Strong, Chris Pratt and James Gandolfini

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BY TODD PERKINS
Staff Columnist

Director Kathryn Bigelow became the first woman ever to win an Academy Award for her 2009 film "The Hurt Locker." Now, her follow-up "Zero Dark Thirty" is up for several awards this season and has been on the receiving end of raving critical attention and an impressive start at the box office.

However, there has been much controversy surrounding some of the sequences depicting torture being used to extract information that has placed Bigelow under much criticism.

Though there are some mixed feelings about certain aspects of the work, there is no questioning the talent and intensity that has made



Jonathan Olley/MCT

Director/Producer Kathryn Bigelow (left) and Writer/Producer Mark Boal on the set of Columbia Pictures' thriller, "Zero Dark Thirty."

this film such a powerhouse success.

In an effort to depict the events leading up to Osama Bin Laden's demise, Bigelow and screenwriter Mark Boal carefully crafted a story that was the result of an incredible amount of extensive research, which included first-hand accounts of those involved.

The film is centered on a young CIA analyst named Maya, played by the superb Jessica Chastain, who takes on the grueling task of tracking down a known courier who may have a connection to Bin Laden. After years of pursuing every possible lead, Maya eventually makes a discovery that becomes one of the most important moments in recent memory.

Bigelow is a fiercely intelligent filmmaker who

knows how to manipulate her audience into reacting to her movies without ever allowing them to feel cheated.

After years of making B-movies like the '80s vampire western "Near Dark," her female-driven police drama "Blue Steel," and incredibly enjoyable "Point Break" with Keanu Reeves and Patrick Swayze, Bigelow is finally able to reveal how talented she truly is with "The Hurt Locker" and this film.

She has a gift for creating suspense out of situations that keep viewers squirming in their seats with anticipation on a level reminiscent of the work of Alfred Hitchcock. Boal's material, which could easily be confusing and frustrating for audiences under the guidance of a weaker director, is shot in such a way it never

becomes too much for viewers to handle.

As talented as those behind the camera are, the actors deliver stellar performances that are able to match the skill and precision of the crew. Chastain is excellent as the film's lead and subtly showcases all of the desperation and ferociousness that lies behind her icy stare.

After her bubbly turn in last year's "The Help," Chastain creates a fully formed character who audiences can relate to in the foreign landscape of the Middles East. Others, like Mark Strong, Jennifer Ehle and Jason Clarke in particular, do fine work with limited screen time, but the film truly belongs to Chastain.

Though the film is technically flawless, the film editing and Alexandre Desplat's score are both stylish and yet wonderfully simplistic, this project fails to match the power and emotional intensity of "Locker."

Despite some minor flaws, such as the cinematographer's inability to ever keep the camera still, Bigelow has made one of the most important films of 2012.

With a running time of 157 minutes, "Zero Dark Thirty" doesn't pull any punches when delivering its content, which leads viewers from the horrifying attacks of 9/11 to one of the most riveting climaxes in cinema history.

Masquers prepare for spring production

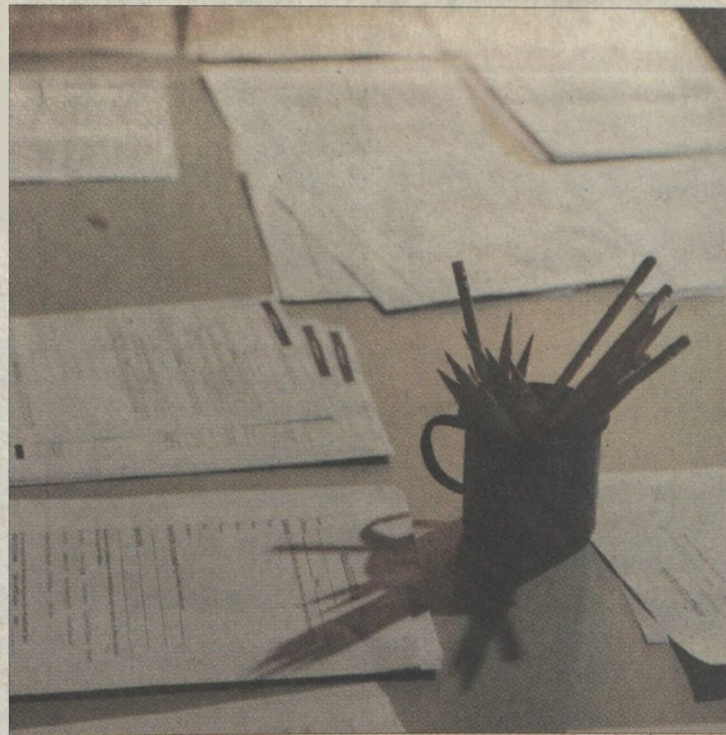


Photo by Alex Pirtle

Actors gathered to fight for parts in the musical Spring Awakening and the blackbox show Cactus Flower, both opening this semester.

BY MATTHEW HARRELL
Staff Writer

From vocal harmonizing to rapid line memorization, hopeful Armstrong students waited in the halls of Jenkins Theater Jan. 9 to audition for the Masquers' spring productions of "Cactus Flower" and "Spring Awakening."

The audition included scene reading and song samples. Actors were asked to read a certain scene with a partner and at least one additional scene with a different partner. Callbacks were made Jan. 11 and casting was finalized Jan. 14.

"Cactus Flower" will run Feb. 14 through Feb. 17 in Jenkins' blackbox theater. Travis Hornsby will direct and has high hopes for the show.

"I want it to be spectacular."

Hornsby realizes the difficulties of working on such a short schedule but believes the show will be at its full potential in time with four-day rehearsal weeks and vigorous work from himself, the actors and the stage crew.

He also plans on making the most of the blackbox theater by creating a minimal stage design that sets the scene and still allows for the intimacy offered by the smaller space.

Pamela Sears, director of the popular Masquers' productions of "The Drowsy Chaperone" and "Dirty Rotten Scoundrels," will oversee the production of "Spring Awakening," which hits the stage April 11 through April 21.

The eight-time Tony awarding winning show is known for its controversial history as it was banned in Germany during the first years of its production. The show deals with issues of sexuality, rape, suicide and many others paired with musical elements to portray the difficulties of teenage discovery.

Sears appreciates the controversy of the show and plans to honor the integrity of the intense script. She also wants the actors to experience the full impact of the show.

"[They] will be required to read the original script and do dramaturgy research to get a full understanding of what it is about."

It is expected the show, which deals with many issues of sexuality and gender studies, will not only be a source of thought-provoking entertainment but also an outlet of potential research for students.

Admission is free for Armstrong students, faculty and staff.



\$10 for 2: Chicken Dijonaise

BY VINCENT HAINES

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As the semester kicks off and we all return from break, everyone of course will bring something back to school with them, whether it's a new memory, a favorite gift we got on Christmas morning or one of my personal favorites, a brand-new recipe to try.

My roommate brought this recipe back from his aunt's house, and it's delicious. It's really simple too, just remember to watch the broccoli and cook it all the way through. Also If you need to, you can add more water in small amounts to help the rice cook if it boils out too quickly.

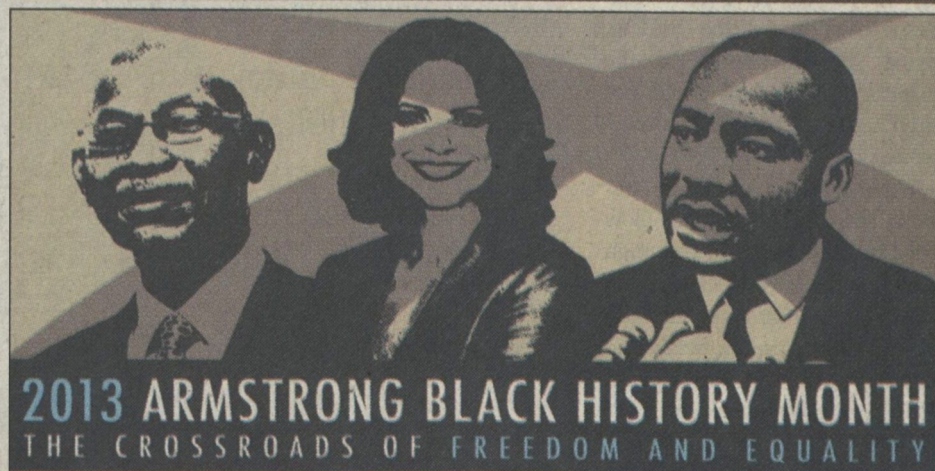
Don't be afraid of customization either, so you can add a little honey to make it sweeter or extra pepper to spice it up.

Ingredients:

- 1 tablespoon butter
- 3 boneless skinless chicken breasts (about a pound)
- Salt and pepper
- 2 tablespoons Dijon mustard
- 1 cup uncooked quick-cooking brown rice
- Water (called for on brown rice package for 1 cup of uncooked rice)
- 2 cups of chopped fresh broccoli
- 1/2 cup of sharp cheddar cheese

Directions:

- 1) Melt the butter in a large skillet over medium heat. Add the chicken breasts, and cook them all the way through, adding salt and pepper to taste.
- 2) Remove chicken from skillet. Add the water, mustard and 1/2 teaspoon of pepper to the pan. Stir it together until blended.
- 3) Next, heat to a boil, then add dry rice. Return the mix to a boil. Reduce the heat to low, return the chicken and add the broccoli.
- 4) Cover and simmer until the rice has absorbed the water and is cooked.
- 5) Take the pan off the heat and add the cheese. Stir and let it sit for five minutes.
- 6) Enjoy!



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- 21 MLK Parade
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- 1 NAACP 90s Party
Student Union Ballroom 1 7-11 p.m.
- 6 MOVE speaker Wekesa Madzimooyo presents "Healing Oppression's Wounds"
Student Union Ballroom B & C 1 6:30-9:30 p.m.
- 7 History of Black Health Care:
Student Union Ballroom 3-8 p.m.
HIV/AIDS testing and counseling services (3-5 p.m.)
Panel Discussion (6-8 p.m.)
- 11 Celebrating the Connection of Cultures: Latinos, Hispanics, and African-Americans
Ogeechee Theatre 1 6-9 p.m.
- 12 Panel Discussion on Black/African-American Stereotypes
Student Union Ballroom 1 6:30-8:30 p.m.

- 13 Religions of Africa
University Hall 158 1 noon-2 p.m.
- 15 Café 1965: Night of Artistic Expression
Ogeechee Theatre 1 7-10 p.m.
- 16 Collegiate 100 3rd Annual Winter Ball
Student Union Ballroom 1 7-11:59 p.m.
- 17 We've Come This Far By Faith:
The Power of Our Story
2nd African Baptist Church (Houston Street)
5-7 p.m.
- 20 Blacker the Berry, Sweeter the Juice
Views and Perceptions on Skin Color
University Hall 156 1 noon-2 p.m.
- 22 Keep Calm and Remember Your Roots
University Hall 156 1 7-9 p.m.
- 25 Nelly's Echo from the hit TV Show "The Voice"
Student Union Ballroom 1 7-10 p.m.
- 28 Inaugural Armstrong Black History Month Awards Dinner
Student Union Ballroom 1 6-9 p.m.

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Falcons

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Photo by John Lok/Seattle Times/MCT
Atlanta Falcons kicker Matt Bryant celebrates after making a 49-yard field goal with 8 seconds left to play to effectively win the game against the Seattle Seahawks in an NFC divisional playoff game at the Georgia Dome on Jan. 13 in Atlanta, Georgia. The Atlanta Falcons defeated the Seattle Seahawks, 30-28.

Kaepernick. Wilson had a phenomenal rookie campaign, but Kaepernick is a freak of an athlete as a quarterback.

Against the Green Bay Packers in his first playoff start, Kaepernick broke the NFL rushing record for a quarterback in a single game by dashing for 183 yards. He runs like a deer and throws fastballs all over the field. Kaepernick's record-setting day led to a 45-31 win over the Packers.

The Falcons defense will have to bring their best to beat San Francisco's balanced attack. The Falcons only ranked 23rd in opposing passing yards and 21st in opposing rushing yards. They will have to be much better to beat the 49ers.

With one win in his pocket, Ryan should feel more at ease. Clearly the journey to win a Super Bowl ring has just begun, but now he can get rid

of the past and simply focus on winning football games.

The Falcons will have to score early and often to beat the 49ers. A let-up and a comeback from the opposition will not cut it this weekend.

In the end, this win could be the stepping stone of a dream season for Ryan or the 49ers and Kaepernick could continue to rush for gold in the Georgia Dome.



Photo courtesy of William Deaver
Students prepare to sample authentic Mexican fare while on a study abroad excursion.

Study Abroad

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and her career goals, only to have them change in her junior year. Previously a biology major, Longaberger now studies Spanish, but she feared she might not graduate on time. She found the answer in studying abroad.

"I was going to travel the world," Longaberger said.

James Anderson, the director of the Office of International Education, said it would be good for students to come and "see the possibilities." He also said the fair prepares students for working with people from diverse backgrounds.

The idea is to get students to

see things differently, which is particularly important in today's global marketplace, which is economically diverse with businesses trading internationally. Companies need people with international skills and experiences, which can only be gained by traveling and exploring, which Armstrong's Study Abroad Fair hopes to provide.

Crime

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midnight alone, he noticed the laptop was missing. Both men searched the entire dorm and contacted their friends who denied having the laptop.

The student was unsure if his bedroom door was locked, but the dorm was. No other valuables were missing.

"Unfortunately, you really have to take care of your own property," Sullivan said. "You can't always trust the people you share a space with — or their friends because it could have been a visitor."

A student reported \$100 missing from her Compass Point dorm Dec. 6 around 2:52 p.m. The money was in her pink Hollister perfume canister on her dresser, but when she checked at 11:30 a.m. that day, the money was gone.

"Normally, those situations are turned over to Housing so that Housing can have a meeting with all those involved," Sullivan said.

On Dec. 7, a student approached Lt. John Bennett and reported several items stolen from her University Terrace II room.

The student had allowed her friend to stay in her dorm while she was at Jenkins Theater. Her friend then texted the student, saying she was going to the hospital. The student could not reach her friend after she received the text.

When she returned to her room, she noticed a pink, yellow and brown duffle bag, calf high black boots, a silver necklace with a star, a silver charm necklace with a book page, a potion bottle and butterfly wings, and a black jacket with grey skulls and crowns were missing.

The student claimed the items totaled \$200 and her friend had told the student she owed her friend \$200 before the items went missing.

Officer Crystal Simmons responded to a call from a Windward Commons' residence in reference to missing clothing Dec. 7 at 7:50 p.m. The student met Simmons in the lobby and told the officer her clothes went missing from the west wing laundry room.

"For some reason, [students] feel that a washing machine is a secure location," Sullivan said.

"I don't understand why students leave their clothes.

"The [laundry rooms] at Terrace don't even lock."

Five tan and black striped sweaters were taken.

"We've also had people call and report clothes stolen, and then call back and say they found their clothes in their closet," Sullivan said. "It's just misplaced clothing a lot of the time."

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